

# Summer Calendar of Events

## July

### Wednesday, July 1 Past and Present: Grand Banks

10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. Schooner *Ernestina*  
Take a closer look at what life was like on *Ernestina*. Compare each era of *Ernestina*'s long history to life today in this new series.

### Friday, Saturday and Sunday, July 3-5 New Bedford Summerfest

Friday, 6:30 p.m. kick off concert [Downtown \(fee\)](#)  
Saturday and Sunday 11:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m. [Downtown \(fee\)](#)  
An international folk music and arts festival held throughout the park. For more information visit [www.newbedfordsummerfest.com](http://www.newbedfordsummerfest.com)

### Sunday, July 5 Cape Verdean Recognition Day Parade

As part of Cape Verdean Recognition Week, the park will celebrate by marching in the 36th annual Cape Verdean Recognition Day Parade. Parade begins at 11:00 a.m. at Buttonwood Park and ends at the Cape Verdean Veterans Hall (561 Purchase Street).

### Thursday, July 9 Thursday Evenings in the Park, AHA!, Living History Program

5:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. Living History Program  
[Various locations throughout the park - stop by the park visitor center for locations. \(free\)](#)  
5:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. AHA! Night *Kids Rule*-for information about this evening's programming visit [www.ahanewbedford.org](http://www.ahanewbedford.org) (free)  
6:30 p.m. Toe Jam Puppet Band  
[Whaling Museum Plaza](#)  
7:30 p.m. Dance with El Arte Flamenco  
[Whaling Museum Plaza](#)

### Saturday, July 11 Maritime Heritage Days, Living History

10:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. Living History Program  
[Various locations throughout the park - stop by the park visitor center for locations. \(free\)](#)  
12:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m. [National Park Visitor Center Garden \(free\)](#)  
Barbara Merry - Marlinspike Artistry

### Sunday, July 12 Living History

9:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. [Various locations throughout the park - stop by the park visitor center for locations. \(free\)](#)

### Wednesday, July 15 Past and Present: Brigus

10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. Schooner *Ernestina*  
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### Thursday, July 16 Thursday Evenings in the Park, Living History

5:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. Living History Program  
[Various locations throughout the park - stop by the park visitor center for locations. \(free\)](#)  
6:00 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. *From Pursuit to Preservation* Curator's Tour - [New Bedford Whaling Museum](#)  
6:30 p.m. Gloucester Hornpipe and Clog Society  
[National Park Visitor Center Garden \(free\)](#)

### Wednesday, July 17 Fishing from a Dory

2:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. Schooner *Ernestina*  
Try your hand at long-line fishing in an authentic 19th-century dory, all from the comfort of dry land. Using fish replicas, try to pull aboard cod or haddock.

### Saturday, July 18 Maritime Heritage Days

10:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. Living History Program  
[Various locations throughout the park - stop by the park visitor center for locations. \(free\)](#)  
12:00 p.m. - 1:30 p.m. [National Park Visitor Center Garden \(free\)](#)  
Ann Lima, Nantucket baskets

### Sunday, July 20 Living History

9:00 a.m - 10:30 a.m. [Various locations throughout the park - stop by the park visitor center for locations. \(free\)](#)

### Tuesday, July 21 Gyotaku: Japanese Fish Printing

1:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m. Schooner *Ernestina*  
Gyotaku is the ancient Japanese art of fish printing. Choose a color and make your own prints using plastic fish replicas.

### Wednesday, July 22 Past and Present: Arctic Exploration

10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. Schooner *Ernestina*  
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## Living History Program

Listen in on a conversation between two New Bedford women from the 1850s as they discuss the issues of the day and life in the bustling whaling port.

Every Thursday evening and Saturday and Sunday mornings between July 9 and August 30 See listings on calendar for times.



### Thursday, July 23 Thursday Evenings in the Park, Living History

5:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. Living History Program  
[Various locations throughout the park - stop by the park visitor center for locations. \(free\)](#)  
6:30 p.m. Terra Natal - Cape Verdean Music  
[National Park Visitor Center Garden \(free\)](#)

### Saturday, July 25 Maritime Heritage Days

10:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. Living History Program  
[Various locations throughout the park - stop by the park visitor center for locations. \(free\)](#)  
12:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m. [National Park Visitor Center Garden \(free\)](#)  
Phil Szenher - Sea Chests

### Sunday, July 26 Living History

9:00 a.m. - 10:30 p.m. [Various locations throughout the park - stop by the park visitor center for locations. \(free\)](#)

### Wednesday, July 29 Past and Present: In the Navy

10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. Schooner *Ernestina*  
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### Thursday, July 30 Why Knot? Thursday Evenings in the Park, Living History

2:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. Why Knot?  
Schooner *Ernestina* - Learn how to tie different kinds of knots. Make a bracelet to take home!  
5:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. Living History Program  
[Various locations throughout the park - stop by the park visitor center for locations. \(free\)](#)  
6:30 p.m. Ana Vinagre Ensemble - Portuguese Fado  
[National Park Visitor Center Garden \(free\)](#)  
7:30 p.m. Melville Birthday lecture  
[New Bedford Whaling Museum Theater \(free\)](#)



### Gallery Tours

Every Thursday from July 9- August 27 at 2:00 p.m. Join a Whaling Museum docent for an in-depth tour of one of the Museum's galleries. Tours are free with paid admission.

### Highlights Tours

Every Friday from July 10- August 28 at 2:00 p.m. Join a Whaling Museum docent for an overview tour of the Museum's collection. Tours are free with paid admission.

## Maritime Heritage Days

Every Saturday in July and August, beginning July 12, come to a mini-maritime festival with craft demonstrations and make and take activities for families in the park visitor center garden. These fun, free activities take place from 12:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. In the event of rain, activities will be moved into the Corson Maritime Learning Center.



Ana Vinagre



# August

## Sunday, August 1 - November 1 In One Generation: Paul Cuffe, Found- ing Father of a New Democracy

During Regular Operating Hours  
[Rotch-Jones-Duff House and Garden Museum](#)  
In collaboration with the Westport Historical Society and the Paul Cuffe 250th Anniversary Committee, the RJD presents a tempo-  
rary exhibit highlighting this amazing man as entrepreneur, whaler, social advocate, Quaker and close associate of the William Rotch Family. Contact the RJD for details.

## Saturday, August 1 Maritime Heritage Days

10:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. Living History Program  
[Various locations throughout the park - stop by the park visitor center for locations. \(free\)](#)  
12:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m. [National Park Visitor Center Garden \(free\)](#)  
Willi Bank - Knot Tying

## Sunday, August 2 Living History

9:00 p.m. - 10:30 p.m. [Various locations throughout the park - stop by the park visitor center for locations. \(free\)](#)

## Tuesday, August 4 Gyotaku: Japanese Fish Printing

2:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. Schooner *Ernestina*  
Gyotaku is the ancient Japanese art of fish printing. Choose a color and make your own prints using plastic fish replicas.

## Wednesday, August 5 Past and Present: Before GPS

10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. Schooner *Ernestina*  
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## Thursday, August 6 Thursday Evenings in the Park, Living History

5:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. Living History Program  
[Various locations throughout the park - stop by the park visitor center for locations. \(free\)](#)  
6:30 p.m. Black Brook Singers - Wampanoag Music  
[National Park Visitor Center Garden \(free\)](#)  
7:30 p.m. Candida Rose and Kabu Jazz  
[New Bedford Whaling Museum Plaza \(free\)](#)

## Saturday, August 8 Maritime Heritage Days Living History

10:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. Living History Program - [Various locations throughout the park - stop by the park visitor center for locations. \(free\)](#)  
12:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m. [National Park Visitor Center Garden \(free\)](#)  
Willi Bank - Knot Tying

## Sunday, August 9 Living History

9:00 p.m. - 10:30 p.m. [Various locations throughout the park - stop by the park visitor center for locations. \(free\)](#)

## Wednesday, August 12 Past and Present: Cape Verde

10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.  
Schooner *Ernestina*  
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## Thursday, August 13 Why Knot? Thursday Evenings in the Park, AHA!, Living History

2:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. Why Knot?  
Schooner *Ernestina* - Learn how to tie different kinds of knots. Make a bracelet to take home!  
5:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. Living History Program  
[Various locations throughout the park - stop by the park visitor center for locations. \(free\)](#)  
5:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. AHA! Night *NB Cultures*-for information about this evening's programming visit [www.ahanewbedford.org](#)  
7:00 p.m. Semenya McCord - African American and Jazz  
[New Bedford Whaling Museum Plaza \(free\)](#)

## Saturday, August 16 Maritime Heritage Days

10:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. Living History Program  
[Various locations throughout the park - stop by the park visitor center for locations. \(free\)](#)  
12:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m. [National Park Visitor Center Garden \(free\)](#)  
Bill Boffa - Sailor's Valentines

## Tuesday, August 18 Why Knot?

2:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. Schooner *Ernestina*  
Learn how to tie different kinds of knots. Make a bracelet to take home!

## Wednesday, August 19 Past and Present: Homecoming

10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. Schooner *Ernestina*  
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## Thursday, August 20 Thursday Evenings in the Park, Living History

6:30 p.m. Rum Soaked Crooks - Maritime music  
[National Park Visitor Center Garden \(free\)](#)  
7:30 p.m. Lecture - *TUNA - A Love Story* with Richard Ellis  
[Whaling Museum Theater \(free\)](#)

## Saturday, August 23 Maritime Heritage Days

10:00 a.m. - 11:30 p.m. Living History Program  
[Various locations throughout the park - stop by the park visitor center for locations. \(free\)](#)  
12:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m. [National Park Visitor Center Garden \(free\)](#)  
Tor Bendiksen - Net Making

## Tuesday, August 25 Gyotaku: Japanese Fish Printing

2:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. Schooner *Ernestina*  
Gyotaku is the ancient Japanese art of fish printing. Choose a color and make your own prints using plastic fish replicas.

## Thursday, August 28 Thursday Evenings in the Park, Living History

6:30 p.m. The Beans - Maritime music  
[National Park Visitor Center Garden](#)  
7:30 p.m. New Bedford Harbor Sea Chantey Chorus performs traditional maritime music [Whaling Museum Plaza \(free\)](#)

## Wednesday, August 19 Past and Present: Past, Present & Future

10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. Schooner *Ernestina*  
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## Thursday Evenings in the Park

On Thursday evenings throughout July and August, beginning July 9, the park will offer a wide variety of free events including musical performances in a beautiful garden setting.

The Thursday evening concerts will begin at 6:30 p.m. and will last approximately one hour and take place in the park visitor center garden. Limited seating is available and people are invited to bring lawn chairs. In case of rain, concerts will be moved to the Corson Maritime Learning Center, adjacent to the park visitor center. Following each concert, the New Bedford Whaling Museum will offer either a musical performance, lecture, or special tour beginning at 7:30 p.m. Please see the New Bedford Whaling Museum's summer calendar for more information including admission fees.



## AHA! Nights

AHA! (Art, History, Architecture) is New Bedford's free downtown cultural night. Held the second Thursday of every month from 5:00 - 9:00 p.m., AHA! events are put on by a collaborative team of more than 50 partners including museums, galleries, arts organization, merchants, restaurants and the park. For information about themes and programming visit [www.ahanewbedford.org](#)



## Saturday and Sunday, September 27-28 Working Waterfront Festival

This free festival is a fun, family-friendly event celebrating the history and culture of New England's commercial fishing industry. The festival features live ethnic and maritime music, children's activities, cooking demonstrations, vessel and harbor tours, fisherman's contests, author readings, film screenings, local seafood, festival bookstore, maritime artisans marketplace & more. For more information visit [www.workingwaterfrontfestival.org](#)  
[New Bedford's working piers and waterfront parks \(free\)](#)



Working Waterfront Festival

## Saturday, October 3. Exploring Paul Cuffe: The Man and His Legacy



An examination of Paul Cuffe, African American/ Native American, abolitionist, and Westport, MA entrepreneur. The hosts for this conference are the New Bedford Historical Society, New Bedford Whaling National Park, the Old Dartmouth Historical Society, and the Westport Historical Society.  
[New Bedford Whaling Museum](#)